

REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are pending in the present application. Claim 18 has been canceled.

Allowable Subject Matter

It is gratefully acknowledged that the Examiner has allowed claims 1-17.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claim 18 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0193703 to Loewy et al. Without conceding the validity of this rejection, Applicants have canceled claim 18 above without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. Therefore, this rejection has been rendered moot.

Conclusion

Entry of this Amendment After Final is requested in that it renders moot the sole stated ground of rejection. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner believe that any outstanding matters remain in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Jason W. Rhodes (Reg. No. 47,305) at the telephone number of the undersigned to discuss the present application in an effort to expedite prosecution.


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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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